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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TENTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
CITY HALL
AUGUST 2, 2001
10:00 A.M.

The City Council and Commissioners Court met in special session at the above place and date. Mayor Pro Tem Larry M. Medina, present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Jan Sumrall, Rose Rodriguez, Larry M. Medina, John F. Cook, Daniel S. Power, Paul J. Escobar, Luis G. Sariñana and Anthony Cobos. Absent: Mayor Raymond C. Caballero.

Present from Commissioner's Court were: County Judge Dolores Briones, Commissioner Carlos Aguilar, and Commissioner Miguel Teran.

City staff present were: William A. Chapman, David Almonte, Carlos Castillo, Mary Ann Gallegos. Other staff persons present were: Health Director Jorge Magaña, Health Deputy Director, Lea Hutchison, Jim Manley, Ruth Sutherland, Wallace Hardgrove, Edward Dion. Others present were: Former Commissioner Charles Hooten, Patricia Palafox, supporters of the proposed new animal control shelter, and Lisa Turner.

Mayor Pro Tem Larry Medina called the meeting to order at 10:22 a.m. at which time he welcomed Judge Briones and the County Commissioners. Mayor Pro Tem Medina noted that he and council were very happy for the opportunity to meet with Judge Briones and the Commissioners at this budget hearing, as in previous years a joint budget hearing had never been held. He added that he hoped this would be the first of many joint budget hearings to be scheduled. Judge Briones stated that she and the Commissioners were very happy to be attending the joint budget hearing. She pointed out that they needed to be more involved in the process, that they would have many questions, and that it was good to be working together discussing the interlocal agreements instead of just being billed by the City. She emphasized that she and the Commissioners appreciated the new spirit of collaboration.

Health Director Jorge Magaña then introduced Deputy Director Lea Hutchison, who proceeded to give the presentation on the Health District's proposed FY 2002 budget.

Comments were made by City staff members and County staff members and the Council Members. The County Judge and County Commissioners agreed that City staff and County staff needed to meet again to better prepare the proposed budget. It was then agreed upon to schedule another joint Health Department budget hearing for Monday, August 13, 2001 at 3:00 p.m. in the Mayor's Conference Room on the 10th Floor of City Hall. Comments were then made by former Commissioner Hooten, Patricia Palafox and some of the supporters for the new animal control shelter and by Lisa Turner from the public.

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Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Larry Medina, seconded by Council Member John Cook and carried to adjourn the joint budget hearing for the City-County Health District at 11:49 a.m.

In attendance for the other scheduled budget presentations for the day were Mayor Pro Tem Larry Medina and the following City Council Members: Jan Sumrall, Rose Rodriguez, John Cook, Dan Power.

Mayor Pro Tem Larry Medina called the afternoon session to order at 12:10 p.m. at which time Juan Sandoval, the City Tax Assessor Collector, gave his budget presentation for the Tax Office. In attendance with Mr. Sandoval were Ms. Martha Sanchez, Tax Collections Supervisor, and Eddie Mendez, Collections Supervisor.

City Council Members Jan Sumrall and Dan Power departed at the conclusion of Mr. Sandoval's presentation.

At approximately 12:26 p.m., Ms. Wendy Hebestriet, the City Comptroller, gave her budget presentation for the Comptroller's Office, and at the conclusion of her presentation Mr. Byron Johnson gave his budget presentation for the Purchasing Department.

Motion made, seconded and unanimously carried to adjourn the budget hearing at 12:35 p.m.

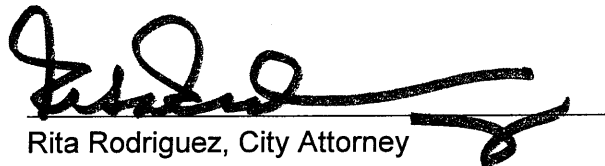
Minutes were taken by Cecilia Castillo, Secretary III, Office of Mayor Pro Tem Larry Medina.

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Carole Hunter, City Clerk



Rita Rodriguez, City Attorney